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FROM: RONALD L. BARCLAY   
DATE: JANUARY 13, 1998  
SUBJECT: RELEASE OF INDICTMENT INFORMATION

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**MEMORANDUM**

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Your question related to the release of indictment information, prior to the arrest or bonding of the Defendant. The Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 20.22, states that "The fact of a presentment of indictment by a grand jury shall be entered upon the minutes of the court, ... but omitting the name of the Defendant, unless he is in custody or under bond." In the present case a corporation cannot be bonded or arrested so the last portion of 20.22 is moot. In my view, the indictments can be released with the names of the defendant marked out. There is no harm to the Defendant and there is little or no harm to the State.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Please call if I can be of further assistance.

cc: None.